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DCR Parking Advisory: Resident Parking for South Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade

WHAT: The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) will implement a number of parking changes to accommodate the St. Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 15, 2015 in South Boston.

<u>DCR strongly encourages those coming to the parade to take the MBTA's Red</u> Line to Broadway or Andrew stations.

CASTLE ISLAND PARKING

All vehicles not displaying a South Boston resident parking sticker will be asked to exit the Castle Island parking lot before 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 14. Due to parking restrictions created by the parade, DCR will accommodate vehicles with valid South Boston resident parking stickers at Castle Island from 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 14, through 10:00 p.m. on Monday, March 16. After 7:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 15, the lot will open to parking for all visitors.

The Castle Island parking lot will be staffed overnight through Sunday. All vehicles will be checked for South Boston Resident Parking Stickers between 7:00 p.m. Saturday and 7:00 a.m. Sunday. Non-resident vehicles will be allowed to park at Castle Island after 7:00 a.m. on Sunday. All cars will be allowed to park overnight on Sunday into Monday, March 16. Normal Castle Island parking restrictions return on Monday, March 16, 2015.

DAY BOULEVARD PARKING, SHORE ROAD

Beginning at 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Sunday evening, parking will be allowed on both sides of Day Boulevard between the Bayside Expo Center and Farragut Street. Certain areas will be posted no parking on the day of the parade and parking rules will be strictly enforced. As always, do not park near fire hydrants, crosswalks, in handicap spots, or in intersections. Additionally, parking at curb cuts, on grass areas, sidewalks, and other pedestrian areas including double parking, will result in the issuance of parking tickets

and fines. The Sugar Bowl parking lot opposite Marine Park will be closed to parking as of Saturday, March 14, at 10:00 p.m. No parking will be allowed in the Sugar Bowl lot until after the event on Sunday, March 15.

Additionally, Shore Road between Farragut Road and Day Blvd. will reverse direction and be one-way traffic only (eastbound) from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (per discretion of the Massachusetts State Police)

WHEN: 7:00 p.m. Saturday, March 14, 2014 – 10:00 p.m. Monday, March 16, 2015

WHERE: Castle Island Parking Lot OPEN to vehicles with valid South Boston Resident Parking stickers at 7:00 p.m. Saturday until 10 p.m. Monday.

Castle Island open to parking for all visitors Sunday, March 15, at 7:00 a.m.,

Day Boulevard, both sides, parking allowed: from Bayside Expo Center to Farragut Street from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. on SUNDAY only.

Sugar Bowl Parking Area CLOSED from Saturday, March 14 at 10:00 p.m. to Sunday, March 15 at 7:00 p.m.

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